(b) what offers for the same have been received, and from whom;

(c) have all the money for the supplies made been received; if not, how have they been adjusted?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(a) Rs. 18, Rs. 16 and Rs. 14 a candy.

(b) Offer at Rs. 18 from Messrs. Kandunni Kaimal and Krishnan Nayar; Rs. 14 from Mr. P. Krishnan Nayar; Rs. 16 from Mr. N. Krishna Menon, whose contract was transferred subsequently to one Mr. K. V. Joseph and for a rate between Rs. 14 and Rs. 15 from Mr. C. P. Luiz with allowance for defects.

(c) Yes. All the money has been received.

Certain contracts in the Forest Department.

120. Mr. A. B. Salem.—With reference to the Conservator's statement in this House on the 23rd February 1927 on making a demand for Rs. 7,652 (vide pages 563 and 564 of Vol. III Part 8, Legislative Council Proceedings), will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the date of contract referred to by the Conservator;

(b) the place at which delivery was to be effected under the contract;

(c) the place or places where deliveries were actually made;

(d) the measurement that the contractor was to accept under the contract;

(e) the number of logs delivered;

(f) the total Hill Depot measurements of the logs delivered;

(g) the total discount in measurement allowed;

(h) the total amount of the value realised from the contractor for the logs supplied;

(i) the total cost of collection and transport of these logs up to places of delivery;

(j) what further quantity has to be supplied under this contract?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(a) 19th May 1924.

(b) Ernakulam Depot.

(c) Ernakulam Depot.

(d) Hill Depot measurements with allowance for defects.

(e) 657 logs.

(f) Candies 3,428—20—9—12.

(g) Candies 1,033—0—14—1.

(h) Rs. 64,298—14—8.

(i) Highest cost is Rs. 6—10—0 and lowest is Rs. 4-9-0. Average therefore comes to Rs. 5—11—0 per candy. Tram-

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way transport charges have to be calculated for logs and toplings. 2/3 are logs and 1/3 toplings. The cost of transport thus comes to Rs. 26,051—10—8.—Freight to Ernakulam comes to Rs. 3,248 at Re. 1 a candy. The total cost, therefore, is Rs. 29,299—10—8.

(j) The quantity available of the felled stock at the time the contract was entered into not exceeding 1,585 candies.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—(d) 'Hill Depot measurements with allowance for defects"—I wish to know whether that allowance is covered by the contract.

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—It is allowed by a Diwan's Proceedings.

President.—The question is whether it is stipulated in the contract.

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—No, it is not stipulated.

Admission of a Pulaya Student in the Trichur S. H. S.

121. **Mr. I. E. Ambooken.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether admission was allowed to a Pulaya student, who sought admission in Form IV in the Sirkar High School, Trichur, this year?

Mr. C. Matthai.—Yes.

The Chalakkudi Pulaya Colony.

122. **Mr. I. E. Ambooken.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the exact amount that has been spent for the upkeep and other expenses of the Chalakkudi Pulaya Colony, and the number of Pulayas residing in the same?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—The amount spent for the upkeep and other expenses of the Colony cannot be stated unless the period for which the information is required is given. There are 155 residents in the Colony. (81 Pulayas and 74 Parayas.)

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—May I know in which year the Pulaya Colony was opened?

President.—It was in Sir T. Vijayaraghavachari's time, some 8 years ago.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—May I have, from the Member in charge of the Department, an approximate idea of the total expenditure under this item till now?

President.—Altogether? Not yearly?

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Not yearly.

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—I have got the figures for the last 3 years.

President.—Shall we put the total expenditure at 20,000 rupees? We must have spent a lot in the beginning. We will have to put up many huts. It is only a question of funds. Rs. 3,000 was given every year.

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